

PROCLAMATION

A PROCLAMATION OF THE CITY OF GREY FOREST ACKNOWLEDGING THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF TEXAS HAD DECLARED A STATE OF DISASTER AND DECLARING APPLICATION TO THE CITY OF GREY FOREST

WHEREAS, the Governor of the State of Texas signed a proclamation on March 13, 2020 declaring a state of disaster due to COVID-19 (also known as the Corona Virus), which is attached to this resolution; and

WHEREAS, the City of Grey Forest finds that based on the information provided by the local health authorities and the Governor's proclamation that similar conditions exist in and around the City of Grey Forest; and

WHEREAS, the City of Grey Forest adopts and acknowledges that a state of disaster exists in and around the City of Grey Forest to the same extent declared by the Governor; and

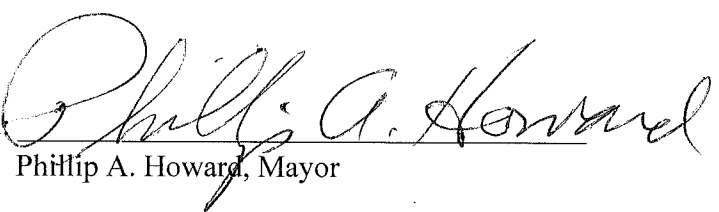
WHEREAS, the City of Grey Forest is authorized use of all available resources of available state government and Type A general-law municipalities that are reasonably necessary to cope with this disaster.

NOW THEREFORE, I, PHILLIP A. HOWARD, Mayor of Grey Forest proclaim that a state of disaster and emergency exists in and around the City of Grey Forest due to COVID-19 to the same extent declared by the Governor and the City of Grey Forest is authorized use of all available resources of available state and federal government, including but not limited to FEMA resources, and type A general-law municipalities that are reasonably necessary to cope with this disaster.

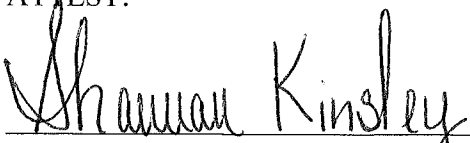
SIGNED ON THIS THE 24th DAY OF MARCH, 2020

CITY OF GREY FOREST, TEXAS

Signed:


Phillip A. Howard, Mayor

ATTEST:


Shannan Kinsley, City Secretary/Treasurer



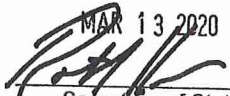


GOVERNOR GREG ABBOTT

March 13, 2020

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The Honorable Ruth R. Hughs
Secretary of State
State Capitol Room 1E.8
Austin, Texas 78701

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Secretary of State

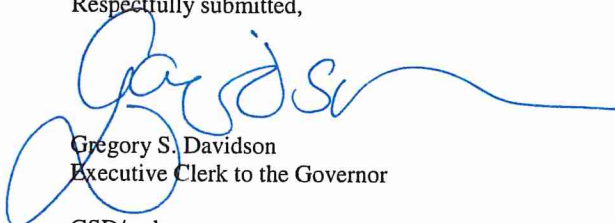
Dear Secretary Hughs:

Pursuant to his powers as Governor of the State of Texas, Greg Abbott has issued the following:

A proclamation certifying that COVID-19 poses an imminent threat of disaster in the state and declaring a state of disaster for all counties in Texas.

The original proclamation is attached to this letter of transmittal.

Respectfully submitted,


Gregory S. Davidson
Executive Clerk to the Governor

GSD/gsd

Attachment

PROCLAMATION
BY THE
Governor of the State of Texas

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

WHEREAS, the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) has been recognized globally as a contagious respiratory virus; and

WHEREAS, as of March 13, 2020, there are more than 30 confirmed cases of COVID-19 located in multiple Texas counties; and

WHEREAS, there are more than 50 Texans with pending tests for COVID-19 in Texas; and

WHEREAS, some schools, universities, and other governmental entities are beginning to alter their schedules, and some venues are beginning to temporarily close, as precautionary responses to the increasing presence of COVID-19 in Texas; and

WHEREAS, costs incurred to prepare for and respond to COVID-19 are beginning to mount at the state and local levels; and

WHEREAS, the State of Texas has already taken numerous steps to prepare for COVID-19, such as increasing laboratory testing capacity, coordinating preparedness efforts across state agencies, and working with local partners to promote appropriate mitigation efforts; and

WHEREAS, it is critical to take additional steps to prepare for, respond to, and mitigate the spread of COVID-19 to protect the health and welfare of Texans; and

WHEREAS, declaring a state of disaster will facilitate and expedite the use and deployment of resources to enhance preparedness and response.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GREG ABBOTT, Governor of the State of Texas, do hereby certify that COVID-19 poses an imminent threat of disaster. In accordance with the authority vested in me by Section 418.014 of the Texas Government Code, I hereby declare a state of disaster for all counties in Texas.

Pursuant to Section 418.017 of the code, I authorize the use of all available resources of state government and of political subdivisions that are reasonably necessary to cope with this disaster.

Pursuant to Section 418.016 of the code, any regulatory statute prescribing the procedures for conduct of state business or any order or rule of a state agency that would in any way prevent, hinder, or delay necessary action in coping with this disaster shall be suspended upon written approval of the Office of the Governor. However, to the extent that the enforcement of any state statute or administrative rule regarding contracting or procurement would impede any state agency's emergency response that is necessary to cope with this declared disaster, I hereby suspend such statutes and rules for the duration of this declared disaster for that limited purpose.

In accordance with the statutory requirements, copies of this proclamation shall be filed

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with the applicable authorities.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto signed my name and have officially caused the Seal of State to be affixed at my office in the City of Austin, Texas, this the 13th day of March, 2020.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Greg Abbott".

GREG ABBOTT
Governor

ATTESTED BY:

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ruth R. Hughes".

RUTH R. HUGHES
Secretary of State

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